

MAIL STOP PATENT
APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attorney Docket No.: CASM122188

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Seattle, Washington 98101

January 13, 2004

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) by Express Mail is the complete patent application of Peter Cade TALBOT, Jose Antonio ALARCO, and Geoffrey Alan EDWARDS, entitled PRODUCTION OF METAL OXIDE PARTICLES WITH NANO-SIZED GRAINS.

- X 1a. This application is a continuation of prior Application No. 09/721,490, filed November 21, 2000, priority from the filing date of which is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120.
- 1b. This application also claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. , filed , the benefit of which is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.
2. A copy of the petition for a number-month extension of time to extend pendency of the prior application to at least the filing date of this application is enclosed.
- X 3. An application consisting of 26 pages of specification, including the claims and the Abstract of the Disclosure, and 10 sheets of drawings is attached.
- 4a. A newly executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
- X 4b. A copy of the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney filed in the above-noted prior application is attached. [Note: This application is a continuation or divisional, no new matter has been added to this application, and no new inventors have been named.]
- i. Please delete the following inventor named in the prior application, such deleted person not being an inventor of the subject matter claimed herein:
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- X ii. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of this application and is hereby incorporated by reference herein.
- 4c. A Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney is **not** attached. Please file this application in the names of the inventors listed above.
- 5a. An Assignment of the invention to _____ is enclosed, together with a Recordation Cover Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 3.31 and our check including the amount of \$40.00 to cover the recordation fee. Please record this Assignment in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 3.11.
- X 5b. The prior application was assigned to Very Small Particle Company Pty Ltd, by an Assignment recorded at Reel 012534/Frame 0059.
6. Priority of Application No. _____, filed in _____ on _____, is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A certified copy of the priority document is attached/will be filed at a later date.
- X 7. Small entity status is asserted for this matter.
- X 8. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Please enter the Preliminary Amendment prior to calculation of the filing fee.
9. No fee is enclosed.

COMPUTATION OF FEE

	Number Filed		Number Extra		Rate		
Basic Fee							385
Total Claims	- 20	=	0	x	9	=	0
Independent Claims	- 3	=	0	x	43	=	0
TOTAL							\$385

- X 10. Our Check No. 153043 in the amount of \$385 to cover the basic fee as computed above is enclosed.
11. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

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- _____ 12. Please note the accompanying Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i). I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. It is requested that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b).
- X 13. The following additional documents are enclosed: Information Disclosure Statement.
- X 14. A filing date in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 is requested. The Express Mail Certificate appears below.

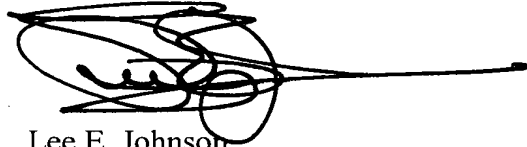
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